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The dam is an earthen embankment structure with an overall length of 140 ft. and a maximum height of 19 ft. The dam is in good condition. Loss of concrete particles on the riser portion of the principal spillway was noted. The dam is small in size with a significant hazard potential. There are no recommendations resulting from the inspection. However, there are a few remedial measures which should be undertaken by the owner.

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## NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM PHASE I - INSPECTION REPORT BRIEF ASSESSMENT

Identification No.: 00114

Name of Dam: Colton Pond Dam

Town: Sherburne

County and State: Windsor, Vermont

Stream: South Branch Tweed River

Date of Inspection: September 12, 1979

Colton Pond Dam is an earthen embankment structure with an overall length of 140 feet and a maximum height of 19 feet. The dam consists of an impervious material with a clay core. Top width of the dam is 20 feet. Upstream and downstream embankments are on a 3 horizontal to 1 vertical slope. The principal spillway has a 4 foot by 4 foot box drop inlet located near the center of the dam which outlets via an 18 inch diameter pipe through the center of the dam. The emergency spillway is located at the left abutment and has a concrete wall crest with a horizontal weir crest 50 feet long. The dam was constructed in 1964. Drawings and specifications are on file with the Vermont Department of Water Resources. No design calculations or construction records were made available.

Visual inspection indicated that the dam is in good condition. The inspection revealed displacement of rip-rap in an area along the left slope of the emergency spillway discharge channel and loss of concrete particles on the riser portion of the principal spillway.

Based on a maximum storage of 330 acre-feet and a maximum height of 19 feet, Colton Pond Dam falls within the small size classification. The dam's hazard classification has been established as significant based on potential flooding of two dwellings. Based on the small size of the dam and its significant hazard classification and in accordance with Corps of Engineers Guidelines, the test flood inflow should be of a magnitude ranging from the 100 year frequency flood to 1/2 the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). One half the PMF was used for the test flood inflow, which is 1155 cfs. The routed test flood outflow of 870 cfs does not overtop the dam as the maximum capacity of the spillways is 1326 cfs. There will be a freeboard of approximately 0.8 feet.

There are no recommendations resulting from this Phase I Inspection. Remedial measures include the repair of the displaced rip-rap on the left bank of the emergency discharge channel, monitoring of the loss of concrete on the riser of the principal spillway and establishment of a downstream warning system.

The recommendations and remedial measures are described in Section 7 and should be addressed within 2 years after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report by the owner.



Gordon H. Slaney, Jr., P.E. Project Engineer

HOWARD NEEDLES TAMMEN & BERGENDOFF Boston, Massachusetts

This Phase I Inspection Report on Dam has been reviewed by the undersigned Review Board members. In our opinion, the reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations are consistent with the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, and with good engineering judgment and practice, and is hereby submitted for approval.

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#### PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314. The purpose of a Phase I Investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigations and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I Investigation; however, the investigation is intended to identify any need for such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might be otherwise detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions be detected.

Phase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the Spillway Test Flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. Because of the magnitude and rarity of such a storm event, a finding that a spillway will not pass the test flood should not be interpreted as necessarily posing a highly inadequate condition. The test flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aide in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

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## SECTION 4 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

#### 4.1 Procedure

The impoundment created by Colton Pond Dam is used for recreation. Water level is maintained by stoplogs in the principal spillway inlet. During the summer and fall the reservoir is maintained at the crest of the inlet. Several stoplogs (about 2 feet) are removed for the winter and spring.

#### 4.2 Maintenance of Dam

Grass on the dam is cut once or twice a year. Once every three or four years brush is removed from the dam. Otherwise, there is no regular maintenance except on an as needed basis.

#### 4.3 Maintenance of Operating Facilities

There is no regular maintenance procedure for the operating facilities. Repairs are made as needed.

#### 4.4 Description of Warning Systems

There are no warning systems in effect for this facility.

#### 4.5 Evaluation

The current operation and maintenance procedures for this dam are inadequate to insure that problems encountered can be remedied within a reasonable period of time.

The owner should establish a written operational procedure as well as establishing a warning system to follow in the event of emergency conditions.

e. <u>Downstream Channel</u>. The outlet channel for the spillway runs along the left abutment of the dam and is rip-rapped with heavy stone. Downstream of the dam the channel bed is strewn with rocks. The bottom width is about 5 feet and the channel banks are heavily overgrown with brush. The channel immediately downstream of the principal spillway outlet can be seen in Photo No. 18.

#### 3.2 Evaluation

Visual examination indicates that the dam is in good condition. Visual examination revealed the following:

- (a) An area on the left slope of the spillway discharge channel has been eroded and the riprap protection has been displaced.
- (b) Surface deterioration of the concrete on the box drop inlet of the principal spillway.

c. Appurtenant Structures. Visual inspection of the concrete box drop inlet spillway, emergency earth spillway and discharge conduit with a concrete outlet structure did not reveal any evidence of stability problems. The concrete surface of the box spillway structure generally appeared to be in good condition except for the loss of fine aggregate particles from the concrete surface. The spillway trash rack and service deck are in good condition.

The principal box spillway structure, as seen in Photo No. 12, consists of three elements: a box inlet overflow control, a vertical transition (box structure) and closed discharge conduit. Removal of the stoplogs would permit use of the 18 inch closed discharge conduit as a pond drain. The spillway structure is located at the toe of the embankment near the center of the dam. Visual inspection revealed that the concrete box spillway structure appeared to be in sound condition except for the surface deterioration as seen in Photo No. 13. Up to 1/2 inch of fine concrete particles appear to be missing from the concrete surface.

The discharge conduit consists of an 18 inch reinforced concrete pipe and outlet structure with walls and apron slab. The outlet structure is located at end of the discharge conduit at the toe of the downstream embankment slope. Visual inspection revealed that the discharge conduit and outlet structure are in good condition, see Photos No. 14 & 15. The outlet channel is paved with riprap and joins the spillway channel about 30 feet below the toe of the embankment.

The service deck to the spillway structure from the dam embankment as seen in Photo No. 2, consists of steel beams and a wood deck. Both deck and steel beams are in excellent condition.

The 50 foot wide emergency spillway is an earth excavation on the left abutment. A 2 foot wide concrete wall extends across the spillway as shown in Photo No. 10. The approach channel to the spillway, shown in Photo No. 9 is paved with riprap. The channel downstream of the concrete wall is paved with large riprap shown in Photos No. 16 & 17. Small brush is growing in the spillway. Photo No. 16 shows an area on the left slope of the emergency spillway discharge channel which was eroded during the flood of 1973. The Photo shows the displaced riprap due to this erosion.

d. Reservoir Area. The reservoir is about 30 acres in extent and the shoreline is mostly wooded. A portion of the reservoir upstream of the dam can be seen in Photo No. 1. At the southeasterly end of the pond there is a boat ramp. A campground abuts the shoreline on the northwesterly shore.

#### SECTION 3 VISUAL INSPECTION

#### 3.1 Findings

- a. General. The field inspection of Colton Pond Dam was made on September 12, 1979. The inspection team consisted of personnel from Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff and Geotechnical Engineers, Inc. A representative of the owner was also present during the inspection. Inspection checklists, completed during the inspection, are included in Appendix A. At the time of inspection, the water level was approximately 2 inches below the crest of the principal spillway. The upstream face of the dam could only be inspected above this level.
- b. Dam. Visual inspection of the dam indicated that it is in good condition.

The dam consists of an earth embankment about 140 feet long with a riprap protected at the left abutment. The spillway is 50 feet long on the horizontal crest.

#### Upstream Slope

The upstream slope shown in Photo No. 3 is inclined at 3 horizontal to 1 vertical. Riprap slope protection is made up of small sized rounded stone as shown in Photo No. 4.

The riprap above the water line has been filled in with soil which has vegetation growing on it.

#### Crest

The crest of the dam is 20 feet wide and is grass covered, as shown in Photo No. 7. Entrance of vehicles onto the crest is controlled by a locked chain. No evidence of cracking or misalignment of the crest was observed.

#### Downstream Slope

The downstream slope, which is shown in Photo No. 8, is inclined at 3 horizontal to 1 vertical. The slope is covered with grass. There was evidence that small brush had been cut and the grass mowed.

No seepage or wet areas were observed on the slope or in the area just below the slope.

#### SECTION 2 ENGINEERING DATA

#### 2.1 Design

Original design plans and specifications are available for Colton Pond Dam. Design of the dam was done by Haley and Ward Engineers, Boston, Massachusetts. No design calculations were made available. The dam was constructed in 1964. There is no record of any modifications since construction.

#### 2.2 Construction

No construction records are available for use in evaluating the dam.

#### 2.3 Operation

No engineering operational data were disclosed.

#### 2.4 Evaluation

- a. Availability. Engineering data available for Colton Pond Dam consists of information outlined in Section 2.1. In addition, there are inspection reports completed by the Vermont Department of Water Resources. All of the above are on file with the Vermont Agency of Environmental Conservation, Department of Water Resources, Water Quality Division, Montpelier, Vermont 05602.
- b. Adequacy. The plans and data available provided some of the information required for a definitive review. Therefore, the adequacy of this dam was assessed from the data available and visual inspection, past performance history and sound engineering judgement.
- c. Validity. The field inspection indicated that the external features of Colton Pond Dam substantially agree with those shown on the available plans.

- (4) Gates stoplogs from invert to crest
- (5) Upstream Channel none
- (6) Downstream Channel The 18 inch pipe outlet through a concrete structure with headwall, wingwalls and an apron. The channel downstream of the outlet is about 3 feet wide and one foot high until it joins the emergency spillway outlet channel.
  - i. Emergency Spillway
  - (1) Type concrete weir crest two feet wide
- (2) Length of weir 50 foot long horizontal portion with 5 horizontal to 1 vertical sides.
  - (3) Crest Elevation 1315.5
  - (4) Gates none
  - (5) Upstream Channel none
- (6) Downstream Channel Maximum 50 foot bottom width along left abutment downstream of dam. Paved with heavy riprap.
- j. Regulating Outlets. The principal spillway box drop inlet can control the reservoir level by placement or removal of stoplogs. There are two sets of stoplog slots which are used to facilitate maintenance. The crest of the inlet is at elevation 1315.0 and the crest opening is 4 feet square. The stoplogs extend to the invert of the structure 1305.0 and can be removed to that level to drain the pond. The 18 inch outlet pipe has an invert of 1305.0. There is a fence type trash rack at the crest of the inlet. Access to the structure is via a 25 foot long catwalk with a locked gate to control access. When the water level is at the crest of the emergency spillway, weir flow will control and maximum capacity will be about 14 cfs.

- (3) Spillway Crest Pool 210
- (4) Top of Dam 330
- f. Reservoir Surface (acres)
- (1) Recreation Pool 30.0
- (2) Flood Control Pool N/A
- (3) Spillway Crest 30.0
- (4) Test Flood Pool 30.0
- (5) Top Dam 30.0
- g. Dam

- (1) Type earth
- (2) Length 140 feet
- (3) Height 19 feet
- (4) Top Width 20 feet
- (5) Side Slopes upstream and downstream 3 horizontal to vertical
- (6) Zoning none
- (7) Impervious core clay varies 5 to 6 feet wide
- (8) Cutoff none
- (9) Grout Curtain none
- (10) Other none
  - h. Diversion and Regulating Tunnel

See Section j below.

- i. Principal Spillway
- (1) Type concrete box drop spillway 4 feet square with 18 inch diameter outlet pipe.
  - (2) Length of Weir effective length 12 feet
  - (3) Crest Elevation 1315.0

The crest elevation is 1315.5. The maximum capacity when the water level is at the top of the dam, elevation 1319.0 is 1290 cfs.

- (2) There are no records of maximum discharge at the site.
- (3) The total capacity of the spillways when the water surface is at the top of the dam, elevation 1319.0 is 1330 cfs.
- (4) The capacity of the spillways when the water surface elevation is at the test flood elevation of 1318.2 is 870 cfs.
- (5) The total project discharge at the test flood elevation of 1318.2 is 870 cfs.
  - c. Elevation (feet above NGVD)

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- (1) Streambed at centerline of dam 1300.0 (original stream)
- (2) Maximum tailwater unknown
- (3) Upstream invert of outlet works 1305.0
- (4) Normal pool 1315.0
- (5) Full flood control pool N/A
- (6) Spillway crest (principal spillway) 1315.0 (emergency spillway) 1315.5
- (7) Design surcharge unknown
- (8) Top Dam 1319.0
- (9) Test Flood Surcharge 1318.2
- d. Reservoir (miles)
- (1) Length of Maximum Pool unknown
- (2) Length of Normal Pool 0.38
- (3) Length of Flood Control Pool N/A
- e. Storage (gross acre-feet)
- (1) Normal Pool 210
- (2) Flood Control Pool N/A

- e. Ownership. This dam is owned by the Vermont Department of Fish and Game, Montpelier, Vermont 05602.
- f. Operator. This dam is maintained and operated by the State of Vermont Fish and Game Department. The State's Dam Safety Engineer is Mr. A. Peter Barranco, Jr., P.E. Mr. Barranco is located at the Agency of Environmental Conservation, Department of Water Resources, Water Quality Division, Montpelier, Vermont 05602. Telephone No. (802) 828-2761.
- g. Purpose of Dam. The waters impounded by this dam are used for recreation. The pond is stocked with trout.
- h. Design and Construction History. The dam was constructed in 1964. Prior to construction of the dam there was a natural pond at the site. There is no record of any major modifications.
- i. Normal Operating Procedures. Throughout the summer and fall the stoplogs are left in place to the top of the principal spillway. In the winter and spring the pond level is lowered by 2 or 3 stoplogs or about 2 feet.

#### 1.3 Pertinent Data

a. Drainage Area. The area tributary to Colton Pond consists of 0.77 square miles of wooded mountainous terrain. The watershed is narrow and orientated on a northeast-southwest axis while the reservoir is on a northwest-southeast axis and almost divides the basin in half. Route 100 also divides the basin parallel to the axis of the pond. Maximum elevation in the basin is 2020 feet NGVD at the southwest end and 2500 at the northeast end. Normal pool elevation is at 1315 feet NGVD.

The reservoir is about 30 acres in extent and the shoreline is mostly wooded. At the southeasterly end of the pond there is a boat ramp. A campground abuts the shoreline on the northwesterly shore.

#### b. Discharge at Dam Site.

(1) The outlet works for Colton Pond Dam consist of a principal spillway with a box drop inlet and 18 inch diameter reinforced concrete outlet pipe. The box inlet is 4 feet by 4 feet with the crest at elevation 1315.0. The 18 inch outlet pipe is at elevation 1305.0. Water level can be controlled by stoplogs which are set in the face of the box and can be removed to elevation 1305.0. Capacity of the principal spillway when the water level is at the crest of the emergency spillway 1315.5 is 14 cfs. The emergency spillway has a crest length of 50 feet on the horizontal, and 5 horizontal to 1 vertical side slopes.

b. Description of Dam and Appurtenances. Colton Pond Dam is an earthen structure. Overall length is 140 feet and the maximum embankment height is 19 feet as measured from the streambed to the top of dam. Structural height of the dam is 21 feet. The embankment consists of impervious material with a clay core in the center of the dam. The core varies in width from 6 feet to 5 at the top. The top of the core wall is even with and four feet below the crest of the dam. Top width of the dam is 20 feet and slope of the upstream and downstream embankments are 3 horizontal to 1 vertical. The upstream face of the dam is paved with riprap at the normal water line.

The principal spillway has a box drop inlet located near the center of the dam. Inside dimensions of the box are 4 feet by 4 feet and the box crest is at elevation 1315.0. An 18 inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe outlets the box through the dam to a concrete outlet structure with wingwalls and an apron slab. The upstream face of the inlet box consists of 2 sets of stoplog slots, (for maintenance purposes) which extend from the crest to the invert or 10.0 feet. Removal of the stoplogs would permit use of the 18 inch outlet pipe as a pond drain. There is a steel fence type trash rack at the inlet crest. Access to the principal spillway is via a catwalk from the crest of the dam. The emergency spillway is located on the left abutment. crest is formed by a concrete weir with a 50 foot long horizontal crest and additional sloped crest length on each side. The left side of the emergency spillway meets the natural grade and the right side blends into the dam. Downstream of the concrete crest the emergency spillway channel is paved with heavy rip-rap.

Figure 1 located in Appendix B, shows a plan of the dam and its appurtenant structures. Photographs of each structure are shown in Appendix C.

- c. <u>Size Classification</u>. Small (hydraulic height-19 feet, storage-330 acre-feet) classification based on the height being less than 40 feet and the storage being less than 1000 acre-feet as given in Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams.
- d. <u>Hazard Classification</u>. The potential for damage posed by this dam is classified as significant. Failure of this dam with the water level at the top of dam would result in a flood wave about 11.0 feet high in the reach extending from the dam to a road located about 1500 feet downstream. Two dwellings are set about 3 and 9 feet respectively above the streambed, and there is a road, which is about 8 feet above the channel. The dwellings would be flooded by 2 to 3 feet and there would be a minimal hazard to life. Other than the two dwellings there is very little development downstream of the dam.

#### NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT COLTON POND DAM

### SECTION 1 PROJECT INFORMATION

#### 1.1 General

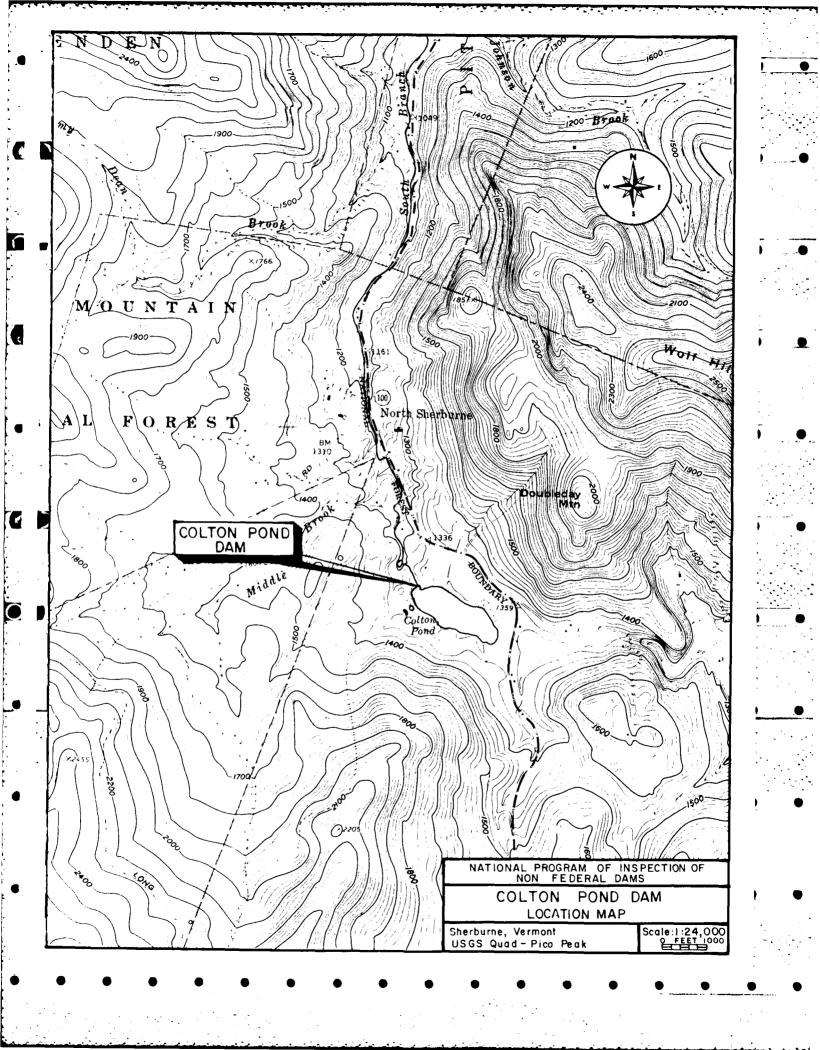
a. Authority. Public Law 92-367, August 8, 1972, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a National Program of Dam Inspection throughout the United States. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers has been assigned the responsibility of supervising the inspection of dams within the New England Region. Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the State of Vermont. Authorization and notice to proceed were issued to Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff under a letter of August 24, 1979 from John P. Chandler, Colonel, Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW33-79-C-0060 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

#### b. Purpose

- (1) To perform technical inspection and evaluation of non-Federal dams to identify conditions which threaten the public safety and thus permit correction in a timely manner by non-Federal interests.
- (2) To encourage and prepare the states to initiate quickly effective dam safety programs for non-Federal dams.
- (3) To update, verify and complete the National Inventory of Dams.

#### 1.2 Description of Project

a. Location. Colton Pond Dam is located on the South Branch of Tweed River in the Connecticut River Basin about 3000 feet upstream from its confluence with Middle Brook in the Town of Sherburne, Vermont. The location is shown on U.S.G.S. Quadrangle Pico Peak, Vermont with approximate coordinates N43° 41'56" E72° 49'21", Rutland County, Vermont. The location of Colton Pond Dam is shown on the preceeding page.





Colton Pond Dam - Overview from above left abutment

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## SECTION 5 HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS

#### 5.1 Evaluation of Features

a. General. Colton Pond Dam is an earthen structure with an overall length of 140 feet. The maximum embankment height is 19 feet from the original streambed to the top of dam. The principal spillway consists of a 4 foot square box drop inlet controlled by stoplogs and an 18 inch diameter outlet pipe. The emergency spillway located on the left abutment consists of a 50 foot horizontal concrete weir crest with side slopes of five horizontal to one vertical. The pond can be regulated or drained by removing the stoplogs in the principal spillway inlet.

The impoundment is used for recreation. The dam is classified as small in size having a maximum storage of 330 acre-feet and a maximum height of 19 feet.

- b. <u>Design Data</u>. No hydrologic or hydraulic design data were disclosed for Colton Pond Dam.
- c. Experience Data. There are no records of maximum discharge at the site.
- d. <u>Visual Observations</u>. No evidence of damage to any portion of the dam due to overtopping was visible at the time of inspection.
- e. Test Flood Analysis. No detailed design and operational information are available for this dam. The hydrologic evaluation was performed using information gathered by field investigation, watershed characteristics, and Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) curves prepared by the Corps of Engineers. In accordance with Corps of Engineer Guidelines the significant hazard classification and small size classification of this dam warrants a test flood magnitude ranging from a 100 year frequency flood to 1/2 the PMF. A test flood equal to 1/2 the PMF was used, as the maximum storage and height of the dam are in the mid-range of the size classification range of small. A test flood inflow of 1155 cfs is based on a watershed consisting of 0.77 square miles of wooded mountainous terrain. As the drainage area was outside the PMF curve envelope, the recommended maximum value of 3,000 csm for the PMF was used.

The routed test flood outflow was determined in accordance with Corps of Engineers Guidance for Estimating Effect of Surcharge Storage on Maximum Probable Discharge, and the

hydraulic characteristics of the dam. The stage discharge curve was developed considering discharge through the emergency spillway as flow over a broad crest weir and the discharge through the principal spillway as being controlled by the 18 inch diameter outlet pipe. Note that when the head on the crest of the principal spillway is less than one foot the control will be the crest of the box. The routing was started with the water surface at the crest of the principal spillway. The routed test flood outflow was determined to be approximately 870 cfs. As the maximum capacity of the spillways is approximately 1330 cfs there will be a freeboard of about 0.8 feet.

Dam Failure Analysis. The impact of failure of the dam was assessed using the "Rule of Thumb" Guidance for Estimating Downstream Dam Failure Hydrographs prepared by the Corps of Engineers. The breach discharge was estimated with the water surface at the crest of the dam and a breach width equal to 40 percent of the length of the dam at mid-height. The downstream hydrograph is a sum of the breach discharge and the maximum spillway discharge. Prior to the breach of dam the downstream river stage would be about 6 feet with the spillways at a full capacity discharge of 1300 cfs. Breach of dam would result in an additional 4170 cfs for a total of 5470 cfs. The downstream stage was estimated using an average channel cross section in the reach between the dam and a road located 1500 feet The breach flood stage in this reach downstream of the dam. would be about 11.0 feet. This level would not change much in the reach as there is little valley storage available. dwellings may be affected. On the upstream side of the road, one dwelling is set about 9 feet above the charnel and 100 feet The other dwelling is about 8 feet above the from the stream. streambed and about 30 feet from the streambed and located immediately downstream of the road. The road crossing the stream has a gravel surface and it is about 8' above the streambed. There is a 5 foot diameter corrugated metal pipe for a waterway opening.

#### SECTION 6 STRUCTURAL STABILITY

#### 6.1 Evaluation of Structural Stability

- a. <u>Visual Observation</u>. The visual inspection of Colton Pond Dam did not reveal any immediate stability problems.
- b. <u>Design and Construction Data</u>. Design drawings and construction specifications exist and indicate the dam is a compacted earth embankment consisting of clayey, silty sand and gravel. The embankment has a central compacted clay core about 5 feet wide. It is not known if the dam rests on a bedrock or glacial till foundation. The embankment, which is about 19 feet above the streambed, has upstream and downstream slopes of 3 horizontal to 1 vertical. The crest is 20 feet wide.

An emergency riprap paved spillway passes around the embankment on the left abutment.

The outlet works is a drop inlet structure at the upstream toe leading to an 18-inch diameter reinforced concrete conduit passing through the embankment.

- c. Operating Records. No operating records were made available.
- d. <u>Post-Construction Changes</u>. There is no record of post-construction changes.
- e. <u>Seismic Stability</u>. The dam is located in Seismic Zone 2, and in accordance with the recommended Phase I guidelines, does not warrant seismic analysis.

## SECTION 7 ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMEDIAL MEASURES

#### 7.1 Dam Assessment

- a. <u>Condition</u>. The visual inspection of Colton Pond Dam indicates that the dam is in good condition. The inspection revealed the following:
- (1) An area on the left slope of the spillway discharge channel has been eroded and the rip-rap protection has been displaced.
- (2) Surface deterioration of the concrete on the box drop inlet of the principal spillway.

The hydraulic analysis reveals that the spillway can pass the routed test flood.

- b. Adequacy of Information. The plans and data available provided some of the information required for a definitive review. Therefore, the adequacy of this dam was assessed from the data available and visual inspection, past performance history and sound engineering judgement.
- c. Urgency. This dam is in generally good condition. The recommendations and remedial measures described in Sections 7.2 and 7.3 should be accomplished within two years after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report by the owner.
- d. Necessity of Additional Investigation. No additional investigation is needed to complete the Phase I inspection.

#### 7.2 Recommendations

There are no recommendations resulting from this Phase I Inspection.

#### 7.3 Remedial Measures

- (a) Repair the left slope of the spillway channel and add riprap to prevent future erosion.
- (b) Prepare a downstream warning system in the event of an emergency.

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(c) A technical inspection program should be initiated and continued on a biennial basis. Special note of the amount of loss of concrete particles on the drop inlet should be taken during the inspections. Repair of the surface should be accomplished when it is considered necessary.

#### 7.4 Alternatives

There are no practical alternatives to the recommendations of Sections 7.2 and 7.3.

APPENDIX A INSPECTION CHECKLIST 0

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## VISUAL INSPECTION CHECK LIST PARTY ORGANIZATION

PROJECT Colton Pond Dam	DATE 9/12/79
	TIME 1:00 PM
	WEATHER Fair
	W.S. ELEV. 1314.8U.SDN.S
PARTY:	
1. D. LaGatta GEI	6
2. S. Mazur HNTB	
3. R. Yarsites HNTB	8
4. Peter Barranco Jr. VDWR	9
5	10
PROJECT FEATURE	INSPECTED BY REMARKS
1. Dam	Dan LaGatta
2. Spillway, Outlet and	Stan Mazur
3. Downstream Channel	Robert Yarsites
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PERIODIC INSPECTION	N CHECK LIST
PROJECT Colton Pond	DATE September 12, 1979
PROJECT FEATURE Embankment Dam	NAME
DISCIPLINE Geotechnical Engineer	NAME D. P. LaGatta
AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
DAM EMBANKMENT	
Crest Elevation	1319.0
Current Pool Elevation	1314.8
Maximum Impoundment to Date	None observed
Surface Cracks	No pavement
Pavement Condition	None observed
Movement or Settlement of Crest	
Lateral Movement	
Vertical Alignment	No misalignment
Horizontal Alignment	
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	Good
Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes	None
Trespassing on Slopes	None
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	None
Rock Slope Protection - Riprap Failures	No riprap above water line. Riprap below water is small.
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes	
Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage	None
Piping or Boils	None
Foundation Drainage Features	None
Toe Drains	None
Instrumentation System	None
Vegetation	Not excessive

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PERIODIC INSPECTI	ON CHECK LIST
PROJECT Colton Pond Dam	DATE 9/12/79
PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Works Conduit	NAME S. Mazur
DISCIPLINE Hydraulic/Structural	NAME R. Yarsites
AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
OUTLET WORKS - TRANSITION AND CONDUIT	
General Condition of Concrete	An 18" Dia. reinforced concrete pipe, good condition.
Rust or Staining on Concrete	some staining
Spalling	None
Erosion or Cavitation	None
Cracking	None observed
Alignment of Monoliths	
Alignment of Joints	
Numbering of Monoliths	

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PERIODIC INSPECT	rion check list	
PROJECT Colton Pond Dam	DATE 9/12/79	
PROJECT FEATURE Service Deck	NAME S. Mazur	
DISCIPLINE Structural	NAME	
AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION	
OUTLET WORKS - OUTLET STRUCTURE AND OUTLET CHANNEL		
General Condition of Concrete	Good	
Rust or Staining	Some staining	
Spalling	None	ł
Erosion or Cavitation	None	
Visible Reinforcing	None	
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	None	j
Condition at Joints	Good	
Drain Holes	No training walls	
Channel	Good adequate rip-rap	ļ
Loose Rock or Trees Overhanging	None	
Channel	Good	
Condition of Discharge Channel		
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A-7 PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECK LIST PROJECT Colton Pond Dam DATE 9/12/79 PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Works/Spillway D. LaGatta NAME DISCIPLINE Geotechnical/Structural/Hydraulic S. Mazur, R. Yarsites NAME AREA EVALUATED CONDITION OUTLET WORKS - SPILLWAY WEIR, APPROACH AND DISCHARGE CHANNELS a. Approach Channel Good General Condition None Loose Rock Overhanding Channel None Trees Overhanging Channel Slope of embankment has rip-rap protection Floor of Approach Channel b. Weir and Training Walls Loss of fine particlaes of concrete aggregates was noted on concrete General Condition of Concrete surface (Photo 13). Rust or Staining None noted Spalling None Any Visible Reinforcing None Any Seepage or Efflorescence No training walls Drain Holes c. Discharge Channel General XXXXXXXX Condition Good. Some displacement of rip-rap on left slope. Loose Rock Overhanging Channel None Trees Overhanging Channel None Floor of Channel Rip-rap protection Other Obstructions None

#### APPENDIX B

#### ENGINEERING DATA

- 1. LIST OF DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND MAINT! NANCE RECORDS
- 2. PAST INSPECTION REPORTS
- 3. PLAN AND DETAILS

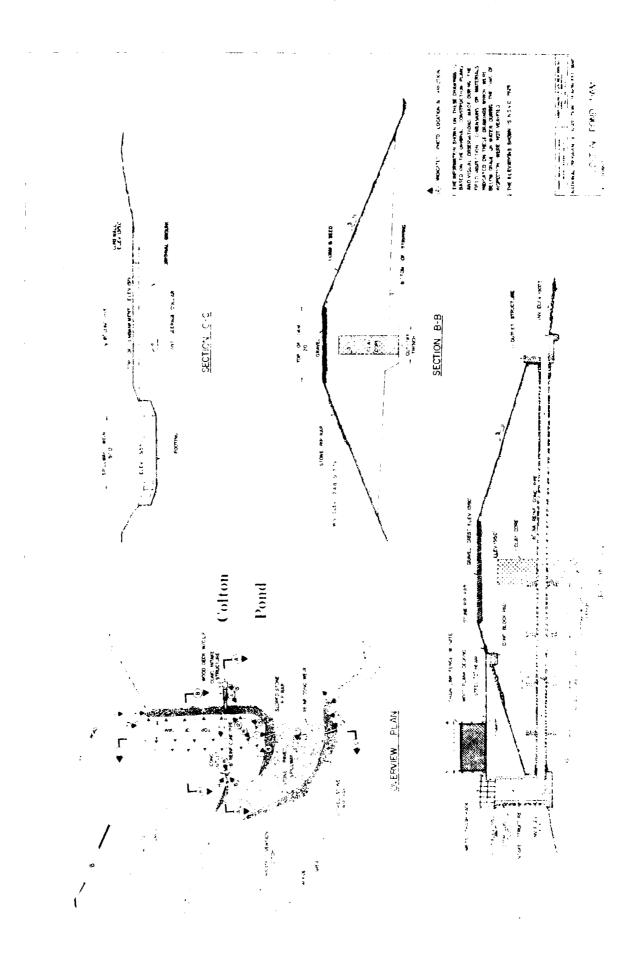


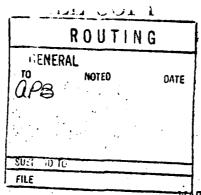
PHOTO NO. 1 - Panorama of reservoir from dam.

#### APPENDIX C

#### PHOTOGRAPHS

FOR LOCATION OF PHOTOS, SEE FIGURE 1 LOCATED IN APPENDIX B





WATER QUALITY DIVISION

802/828-2761

September 29, 1978

#### MEMORANDUM

To: Edward F. Kehoe, Commissioner, Fish & Game

From: A. Peter Barranco, Jr., Environmental Engineer

Subject: Colton Pond Dam - Sherburne

On September 28 the writer made a brief inspection of subject dam.

The dam appears to be in generally good condition but needs to have the brush cut on upstream and downstream slopes, in the emergency spillway and adjacent to the principal spillway outlet channel. Some beaver cuttings have accumulated at the principal spillway drop inlet and should be removed.

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COLTON POND - SHEKRWINE

INSPECTED 9/28/78 IPB

OFFIG BH = - 3.25 WE @ ES = - 0.55' WET CREST

For practically nil. P/S had full column of stop logs, at somewhat below top (couldn't god out on spill way because sate locked). The

Brush growing on U/s & D/s slopes.

- downstream channel: some brush

Is grewing up with brush

# COLTON POND - SHEEBURNE 9-28-78



CREST

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E/S WEIE ~ BRUH GREWING IN

January 15, 1976

#### MEMORANDUM

To: Edward F. Kehoe, Commissioner, Dept. of Fish & Game

From: Gordon R. Pyper, Commissioner, Dept. of Water Resources

Subject: Baker Pond Dam, Brookfield 5/6K1?

Colton Pond Dam, Sherburne

Forwarded herewith are copies of inspection reports prepared by engineers from the Management & Engineering Division, concerning the above dams.

Maintenance and observation items are noted which you may wish to schedule in your future activities.

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Enclosures

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MARTIN L. JOHNSON, Secretary Montpelier, Vermont 05602

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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November 21, 1975

MEMORANDUM

To:

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From:

Donald H. Spies

Colton Pond Dam - Sherburne Subject:

On November 19, 1975, Larry Fitch and the writer inspected the subject structure except for the drop inlet. No structural deficiencies were found on the earth fill, though there is some scattered brush and the grass needs mowing.

The crest and portions of the discharge channel have considerable brush growth which should be cut. The section of the discharge channel which suffered erosion during the 1973 flood does not appear to have changed. However, it should be checked after any period of high runoff, such as spring rains and/or snow melt.

A stop log was found downstream and recovered by the inspecting engineers.

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MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING DIVISION

#### MEMORANDUM

To:

Robert Collins, Fish and Game

From: .

Donald H. Spies, Dam Engineer

Subject:

Colton Pond Dam - Sherburne

Date:

November 19, 1973

On November 6, 1973; I stopped at the subject structure. That floating island is definitely a problem and I have no magic formulas for removing it. However, it definitely should be removed. Maybe it can be cut up and the pieces dragged into the woods. I also noticed some erosion in the emergency spillway. Have this area filled with large boulders (600 to 800 pounds). In addition, the brush and saplings should be cut.

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#### AGENCY MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT

Colton Pond Dam (Pine Pond) - Sherburne

FROM:

DATE:

Edward F. Kehoe, Commissioner, Department of Fish & Game

Donald H. Spies, Dam Construction Engineer Department of Water Resources

November 13, 1972

On October 19, 1972, the writer made an inspection of the subject structure. The dam is an earth fill structure with a concrete box drop inlet for the principal spillway and an earth cut channel for the emergency spillway. The principal spillway has a set of stop planks incorporated into the drop inlet to control the water level. The emergency spillway has a concrete control weir at the crest.

The dam appears to be in good condition. No seepage or erosion was noted. There is a little brush growth on the dam. The emergency spillway, however, is quite filled with saplings and brush growth. These should be cut and the cuttings removed from the area. The drop inlet is out of plumb and should be observed for a while to be sure it has stabilized.

cc: Robert Collins, Maintenance Supervisor Richard Sears, Land Negotiator ROUTING

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Fe	ebruary 19, 1964

Mr. Claus Burtenstein Selectman of Sherburne Killington, Vermont

Dear Mr. Burtenstein:

In accordance with Title 10, Chapter 29, Section 703 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, this Department is hereby notifying the Selectmen of the town of Sherburne of its intention to build an earthfill dam at the outlet of Pine Pond, so-called.

The dam and resulting flowage, mentioned in the preceding paragraph, will be constructed entirely on lands previously purchased by this Department, in the name of the State of Vermont, for the express purpose of creating a public fishing impoundment. mately 50 feet of freeboard was also secured around the proposed flowline so that the pond will retain an attractive and natural appearance and will not become flooded with docks and similar private improvements. A suitable access will be provided at the southerly end of the proposed impoundment for the parking of cars, boat trailers, and the launching of boats for This impoundment will not be available fishing. for swimming and water skiing and similar abuses will be controlled under regulations by the Department.

Very truly yours,

ROGER A. SEAMANS

RAS/p

Federal Aid Coordinator

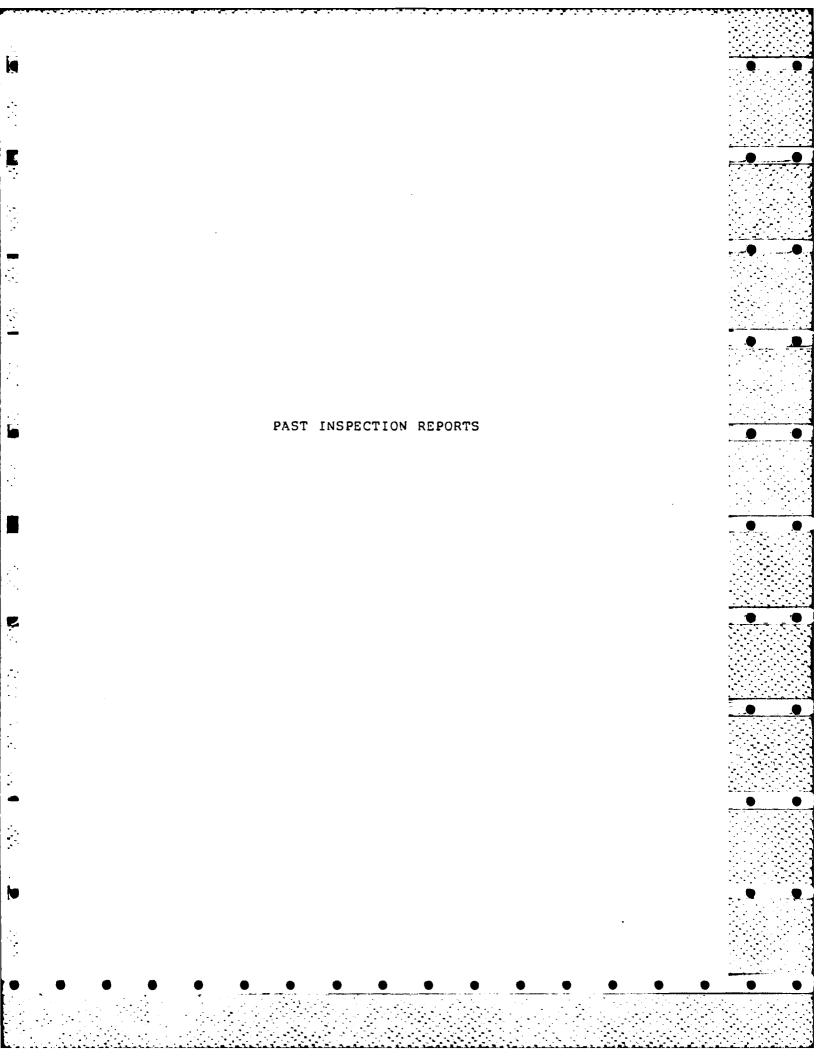
cc:Water Resources Board



#### VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF MATER RESOURCES

#### INFORMATION STEET

Name of Dam Cultur Pand Town Sherburne
Owner Dept. of Fish & Game Name of Stream Tweed River Trib
Address Muntpelier V705602 Classification II
U.S.G.S. Coordinates: Lat. 43-42-0 Long. 72-49-21"
U.S.G.S. Man Pico Peak UT Aerial Photos V7- 462 21-208
U.S.G.S. Elev. 9 Spillway
Total Length of Dam / 38' Crest Width of Emergency 50' Spillway
Width of Top 20' Maximum Height 19'
Spillway Capacity: Principal Emergency
Pond Area 30 A Drainage Area 5 30 A
Pond Volume: Mormal Water Level 2/0 AP Design High Water Level
Maximum Water Depth: Normal Water Level Design High Water
Storage Refore Emergency Spillway is Used ~ 15 AF @ full pand
Use of Reservoir public recreation (fishing)
Description of Dam: earth fill w/clay core & 3:1 slope both faces
Description of Spillway(s): P.S Concrete dr.p inlet w/ Stopless  [5.5] - 20.5th changed
E.S - earth channel of concrete control weir
Designed by Haley & Ward Year Built 1964
Hearing Date February 18, 1964 Order Date February 26, 1964
Additional Remarks:



#### AVAILABLE ENGINEERING DATA

- 1. A set of plans consisting of two sheets.
- 2. Specifications

The above available for inspection at the Vermont Department of Water Resources, Montpelier, Vermont.



PHOTO NO. 2 - Upstream face of dam from right abutment.

PHOTO NO. 3 - Upstream slope as viewed from right abutment. Note absence of rip-rap above waterline.



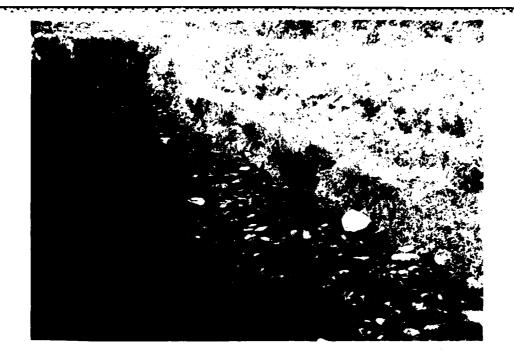


PHOTO NO. 4 - Upstream slope near emergency spillway. Note absence of rip-rap above waterline and small size of stone below water surface.



PHOTO NO. 5 - View of right abutment from center of dam.



PHOTO NO. 6 - View of dam crest and emergency spillway from left abutment.



PHOTO NO. 7 - View of crest from right abutment.

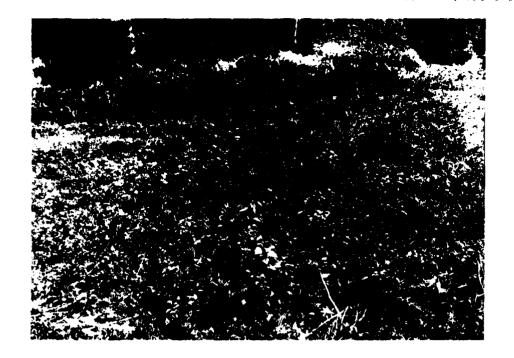


PHOTO NO. 8 - Downstream embankment viewed from emergency spillway.



PHOTO NO. 9 - View of emergency spillway crest from shoreline upstream of left abutment.



PHOTO NO. 10 - Emergency spillway crest is viewed from left end of spillway.

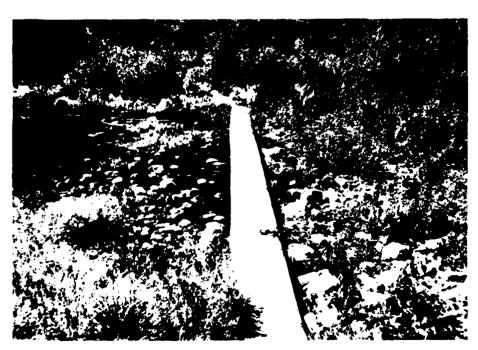


PHOTO NO. 11 - Emergency spillway crest as viewed from right end of spillway.



PHOTO NO. 12 - Principal spillway from crest of dam.



PHOTO NO. 13 - Detail of right face of principal spillway box drop inlet.



PHOTO NO. 14 - Outlet structure and channel.

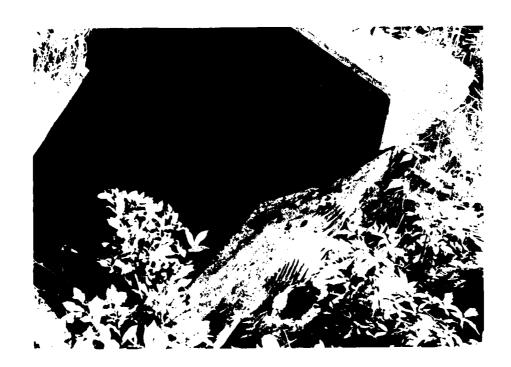


PHOTO NO. 15 - Detail of outlet structure.



PHOTO NO. 16 - Left side of spillway discharge channel. Note displaced rip-rap on left side.

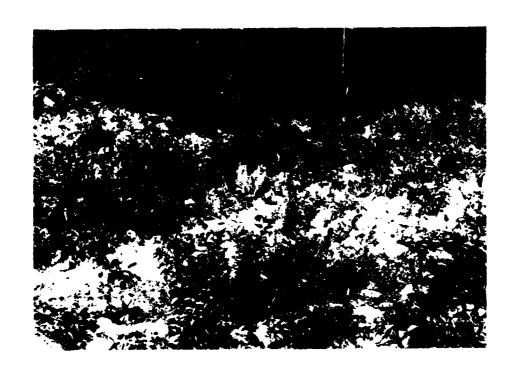
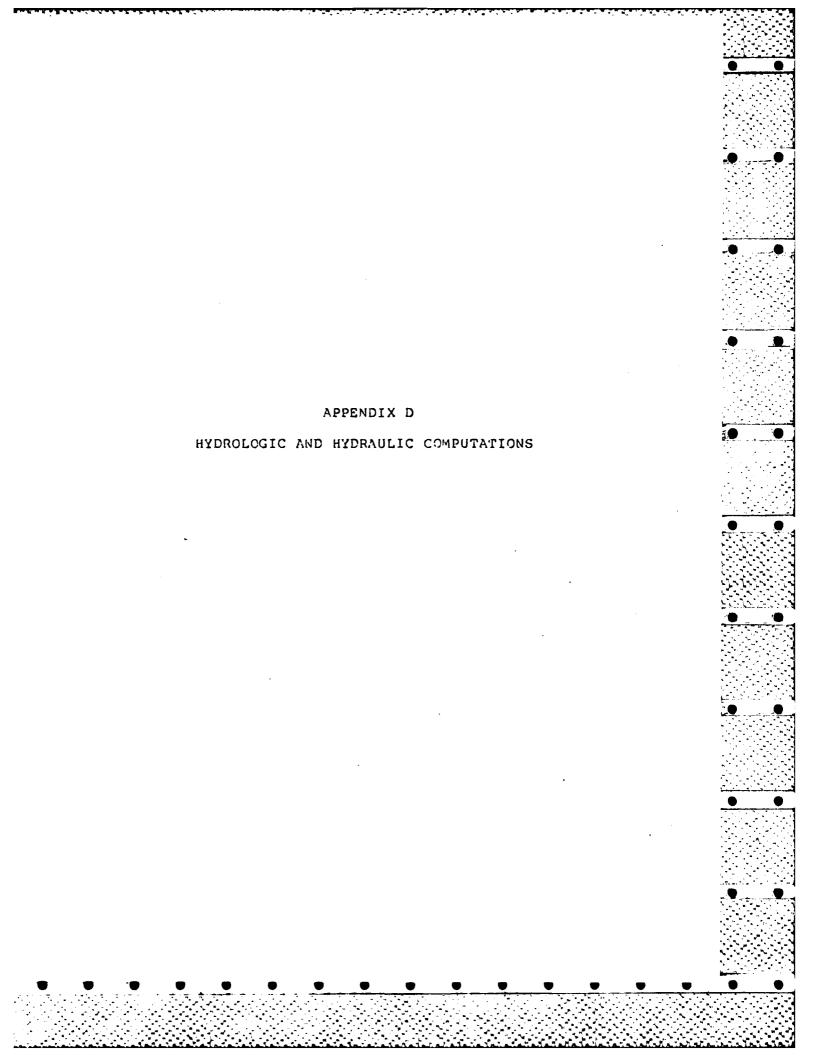


PHOTO NO. 17 - Spillway discharge channel viewed from spillway crest.



PHOTO NO. 18 - Outlet structure channel.



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# Hydraulies & Hydrology

Colton Fond Dam is located along the South Branch of the Tweed River, in the Town of Sherburne, Rutland County, Vermont in the Connecticut River Basin.

Classification Size: Small Hazard: Significant

Basic Data

DA. = 0.77 mi Upstream Basin Mountainous Slope Aves. 870 ft/mi

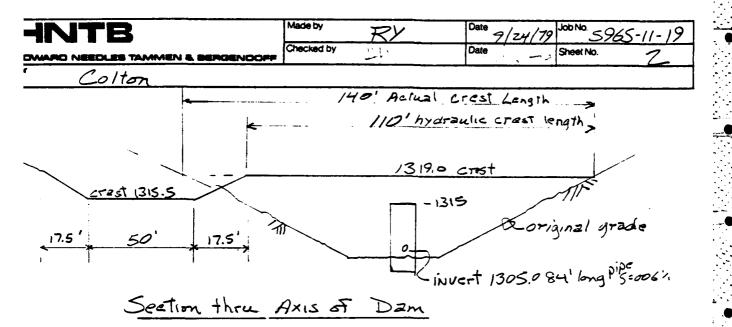
Reservoir : Normal Pool elev 1315.0 Storage 210 acre St Max Pool top of Dam elev 1319.0 Storage 330 acrest Surace Area 30Ac 355ume Veritical prism storage above spillway crest.

Dam' Carth w/ core wall Length 140'max hydraulie 110' height 19ft.

Spillways:

Drop box inlet 4'x4' mlet 18" & ortlet pipe Elev 1305.0 INV. of pipe. Concrete crest emergency spillway Crest elev 1315.5 50' Horizontal length Sloped sides 5:1.46V

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### Step 1 Calculation of Test Flood Inflow

Classification Size: Small Hazard Intermediate

Hydrologic Evaluation Guldeline Recommends
100gr frequency Flood to YZPM=

Use 12 PMF as maximum storage is near mid range of small classification Range 330Aeft Vs max range of 1000 acft

For Test Flood Inflow use Mountainous curve from PMF Guide curves However the DA of 0.77mi is outside curve envelope therefore use the maximum l'alue of 3000 csm for PMF

Test Flood Inflow = 1/2×3000×.77 sqmi = 1/55cfs

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## Step 2 Calculation of Surcharge

Drop inlet spillway

Crest 1315.0 18"\$ pipe outlet

Invert 1305.0

18"\$ will control when H>.9 ft

USE Q = CAVZ9H C=0.7

P=9.94 Jn+90

H=W.S.- pipe & elev

= h+9.25

Emergency Spillway

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Emergency Spillway his wis relative to eme Crest 1315.5 spillway crest Hosizontal Length 50' Sloped sides - 175' on 5:1 slope

3) (2) 13.5'a h 17.5' So' 17.5'

Consider as Broad crest weir  $Q = 2LH^{3/2}$ C = 3.09

Q=3.08(50) h3h = 154 h3h Q= dQ=cdL (h-sh) 1.5 EdQ=(h-st) dL 3=0

 $\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{L}\left(\frac{h^{2.5} - (h - SL)^{2.5}}{2.5 \text{ S.}}\right)$ 

Quer 1544 72×3.09 ( 1-(4-.2L)2.5)

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See Figure 1 for Plot

# Step 3 Calculation of Surcharge Effect

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Storage - Vertical prism above normal pool R.O. = 9.5 m

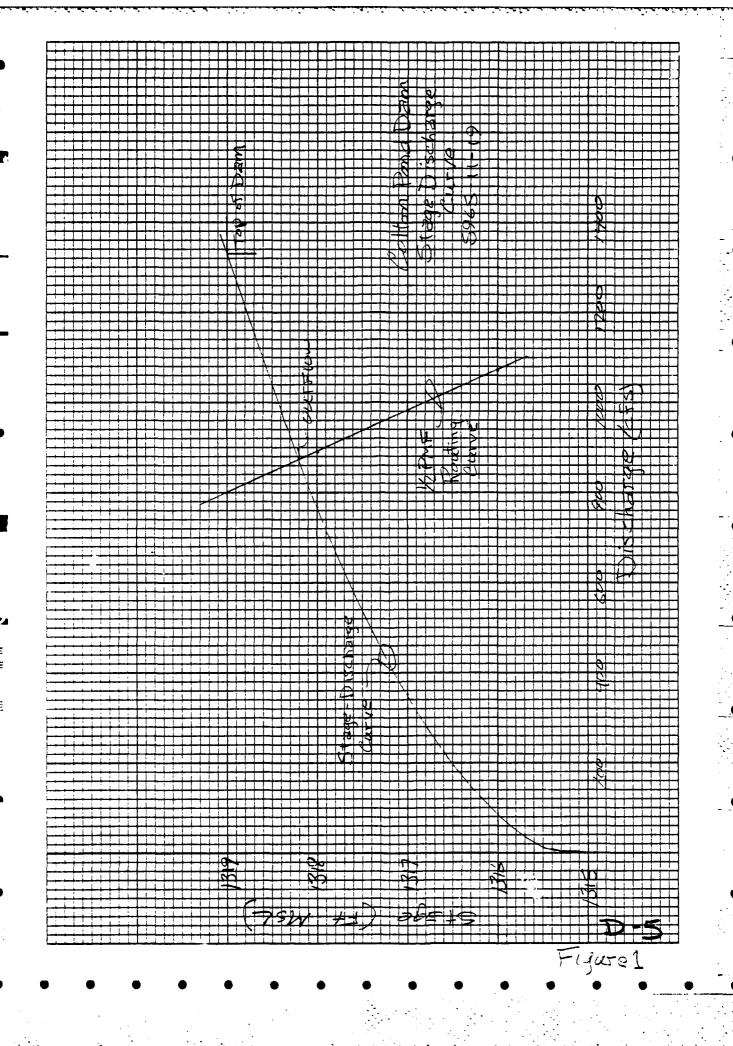
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Stor = Stage (5t) × 30 ac × 12 m/4+ 077 mi2 × 640 zc/mi2 = .73 x stage

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Stage Elev. 1318,2 Freeboard 0.8 feet

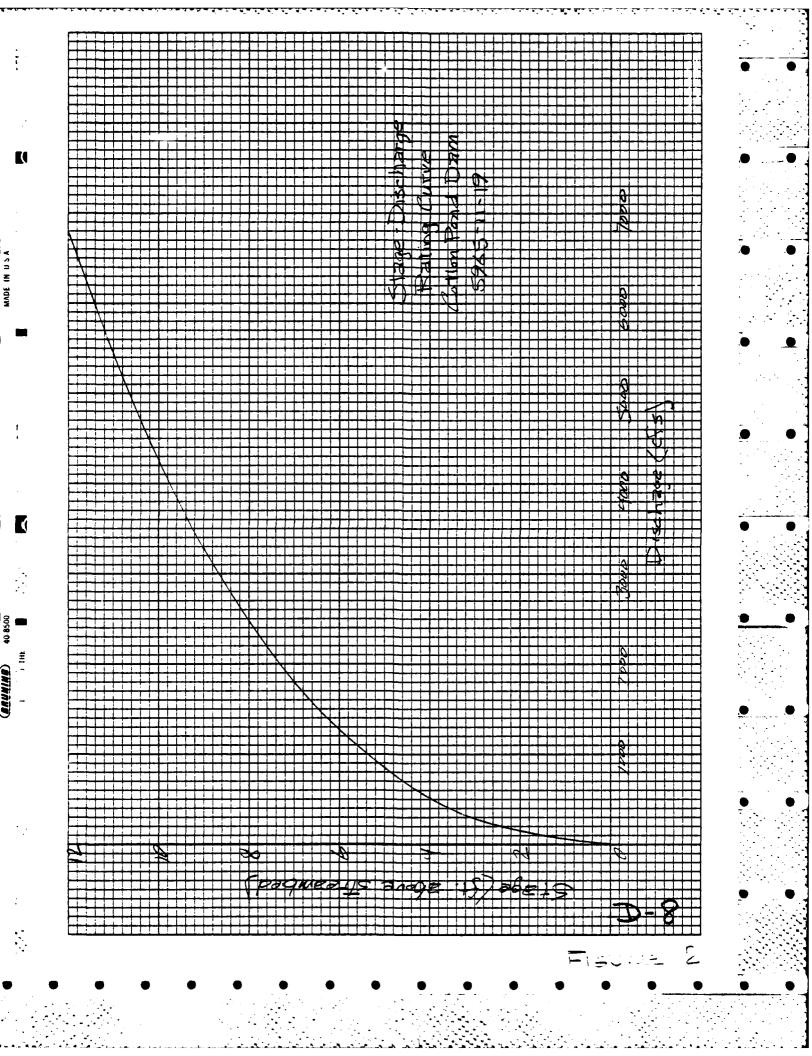
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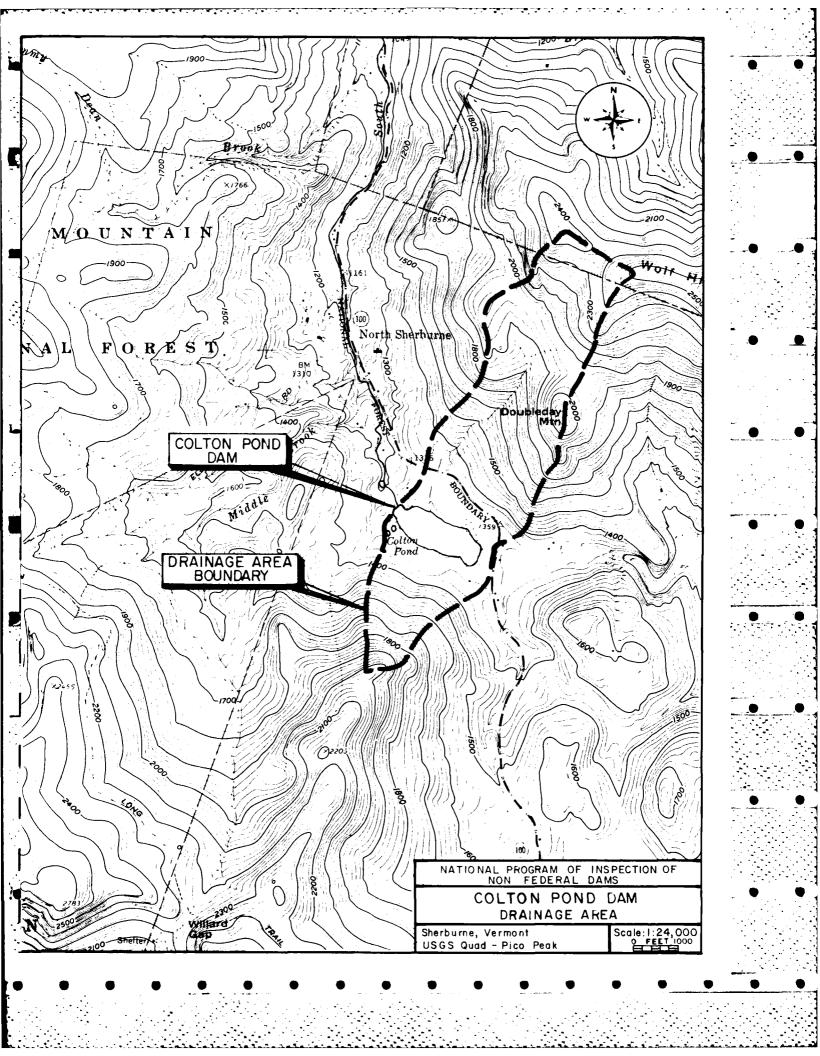


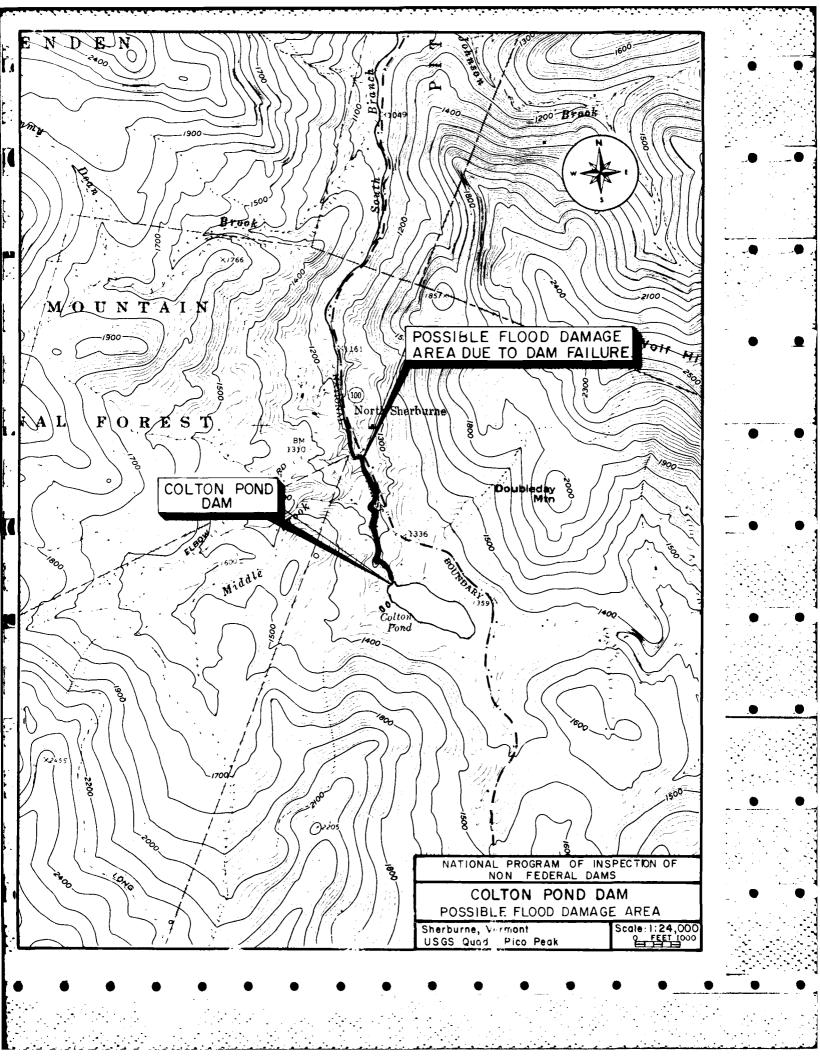
Checked by Estimate of Downstream Damage Reservoir Storage Normal Pool elev. 1315.0 (954) storage 210 sere-gt Maximum Pool elev 1319.0 (958) storage 330 acre-ft Step 2 Breach Discharge QBreach = 827 Vg W. Yo3/2 Total length 140' Emergency Spillway 19' max height original ground-0 outlet width at mid height 75' Wo=40% of dam length at mid height = 40x75 > = max height top to streambed 19 ft Quezer = 8/27 19 (4) 15/19) 32 = 4170 efs Discharge Emergency Spillway my 1300 5470 2Kg 5470 cks

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APPENDIX E INFORMATION AS CONTAINED IN THE NATIONAL INVENTORY OF DAMS

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